

Tufts New England Medical Center Hospitals Program Tufts New England Medical Center Hospitals Lemuel Shattuck Hospital



Transitional Year Residency Program

Competency based goals and objectives by rotation:

Rotation name: Outpatient Medicine

Location: Lemuel Shattuck Hospital

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General Goals and Objectives: The general goals are to establish a working knowledge of Outpatient Medicine and Primary Care Medicine. The resident should become familiar with the Outpatient management of chronic disease and health maintenance.

Patient care: The resident will be evaluated on their demonstration of caring and respectful behaviors in the Outpatient Department. The resident should establish a foundation of skills in interviewing, informed decision-making, and the development of management plans for patient care. Residents should be able to counsel and educate families, performance of physical exams, and perform supervised procedures.

Medical Knowledge: The resident will be evaluated on analytical thinking, knowledge and application of basic sciences in the Outpatient Department.

Practice-Based learning and improvement: The resident should develop the ability to analyze her/his own practice and need for improvement. The outpatient medicine rotation provides opportunities to practice evidence-based medicine, application of research and statistical method, use of information technology, and teaching.

Interpersonal communications: The resident will be evaluated on her/his ability to create therapeutic relationships with patients and the development of listening skills.

Professionalism: The resident should strive to develop respectful, altruistic, ethically sound practice which is sensitive to culture, age, gender, disability issues.

System based practice: The resident understand the interaction of post discharge follow-up, urgent patient issues, and routine scheduled patients. The resident should strive to insure good patient flow while preserving high quality of care. The resident should practice cost-effective care and advocate for patients within the system. The resident should familiarize himself/herself with the different medical insurance agencies, medical delivery systems, and billing systems.

Goals of Elective

- Become familiar with the fundamental principles of practicing General Internal Medicine in the ambulatory setting including diagnostic reasoning; evidence-based medicine; cost effective care; and self-directed learning.
- Begin to develop skills of a practicing physician such as communication with patients; communication with colleagues; ability to work in a team; and, a comprehensive approach to care.
- Learn to recognize manifestations of disease and manage the course of common illnesses.
- Develop skills that address care of the healthy patient including preventive medicine; care of the patient with acute illness; and longitudinal care of the patient with chronic illness as well as care through the course of the complete illness.
- Establish a mentoring relationship with the assigned physician preceptor.
- Become familiar with the residency competency-based means of assessment.

Learning Objectives

- Expand his/her fund of knowledge related to common illnesses and problems that are encountered primarily in the outpatient setting.
- Gain a more complete understanding of different stages of the disease process by seeing patients over an extended period of time.
- Gain experience in the assessment, evaluation and management of a wide variety of acute and chronic outpatient internal medicine problems.
- Refine focused history and physical examination skills appropriate to outpatient problems.
- Increase his/her ability to integrate and apply history, physical exam and basic science to outpatient internal medicine problems.
- Refine the integrative skills of communication (written and presentation), coordination of care and information management.
- Develop an understanding of office functions and systems of care.
- Develop an understanding of the roles of members of the patient healthcare team and demonstrate collaboration with the healthcare team.
- Begin to see how physicians approach patient issues including the ethical care of patients.
- Further develop communication skills and longitudinal relationships with patients.

Clinical Responsibilities:

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